

About Liars.

Mr. Editor:—I have heard of liars and liars, little liars and big liars, young liars and old liars, black liars and white liars. I do not believe the man is living who never told a lie; not that it is anything to his credit. I am not going to say anything about the liars in the Jim Tillman case: they will receive plenty of airing at other and better hands. I do not believe a lie is justifiable for any cause, although I have heard people argue that way.

It is an easy thing to lie; it really seems easier than the truth. There are so many ways to lie; in our looks, your tone of voice, your handshake, your conduct, your speech.

Some people speak of black lies and white lies. I believe that in the sight of the great God they are all black. His word tells us that all liars shall have their part in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone. We hear of hurtful and harmless lies, but they are all hurtful, if not to the community, to the individual. You have heard of bad, but you never heard of a good lie. Just here my better half with a shake of the index finger, warns me about the use of my pen. Gonzales pen, she says, put him in his grave. Am I to expect such a fate at the hand of the liars? My wife is a truthful woman. I do not think she would consciously, intentionally, premeditatedly meet a lady at the door, pass her arm about her, kiss her and say, "I am so glad to see you," if she did not mean it; but it seems so natural to some of the sex to do so, so excusable, a part of polite manners, but really is it right.

That everlasting pistol, but brother, there are some things more deadly than the pistol. The tongue, that "unruly member, full of deadly poison," that untamable tongue, that tongue of the tale bearer and slanderer that "sets on fire the whole cause of nature and is set on fire of hell," is more deadly than all other instruments of torture and suffering. The lowest, the meanest the vilest occupation is that of the mud-slinger. The man who lies for mirth is not excusable, how much less the man who lies for mischief.

But I started to speak of liars generally.

The most contemptible thing in your community with or without legs whether two, four or a thousand, is the professional liar, especially if he be an old man. I stopped at a station the other day and a hoary head was rallied by the youth of the place for being a liar, and the thing laughed at it. An accomplishment? What an accomplishment. Boys, be truthful don't lie, or you may form the habit. I know men who have lied so much that one could not believe them on their oath. The truth however plain and simple, would suffer some disparagement at their hands.

I was incited to pen these lines by a lie I heard the other day. I have heard many but this one beats them all. Perhaps I ought not, but I will tell what it was. A hoary head declared that the downpour of rain at his place was so great that the rain which fell through the bungalow of a barrel could not escape, notwithstanding both heads of the barrel were out. O hoary head, quit lying, whoever you are, and get ready to die.

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As a Precaution.

About this season of the year; and until the approach of the summer months, small-pox begins to make its appearance in different parts of the State. This is accounted for by experts of much experience as due to the assembling of large crowds who attend circuses, state fairs and various other forms of amusement. It frequently happens that the disease prevails in the rural sections for some time before it is reported to the State Board of Health; and persons from these infected houses attend these circuses and other crowded places of amusement carrying in their clothing and baggage the germs of the disease. Coming as these people do from all over the state, and also neighboring states, it is easy to see how widespread the source of infection may be. Successful vaccination is the only known protection against small-pox.

The City Council and Board of Health of Sumter have always endeavored to keep the population of Sumter vaccinated as near as it is possible. Health Officer E. I. Reardon advises all persons who have not been successfully vaccinated to be vaccinated immediately as this insures protection at home and abroad. This warning has been repeated time and again, and it should be heeded. The virulence of the disease, and the death rate has increased enormously in the past two years.

While there is a little small-pox in the state now, still the season approaches when experience teaches that it spreads rapidly. There is none in this section of the state, and there need be none if every one will be vaccinated successfully.

Land Office Agent Arrested.

Portland, Ore., Oct. 26.—The United States grand jury today returned an indictment against Asa B. Thompson, receiver of the land office at La-Grange, Ore. The indictment charges Thompson with soliciting money to influence his official decision for approval of homestead applications which have been held up for insufficiency of proof.

There are three counts in the indictment, and among the witnesses against Thompson is Charles Cunningham, a well known stockman of eastern Oregon. It is alleged that Thompson approached Cunningham and offered to have 10 homestead applications approved in consideration of \$500. The other counts concern the alleged dealing with Asa Robinson, to whom he is alleged to have offered his services for \$50 in the case of each application.

The interior department has had agents in this State for many months past investigating alleged frauds in the entry of public lands, and the indictment of Thompson is the first result of the investigation.

History keeps on repeating itself. A man named Thomas Cain killed another man named Charles Able in Galveston a few nights ago.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Oct. 24.—The Cotopaxi volcano has been active for the last few days.

TEN LIVES LOST IN SUBWAY.

Disastrous Cave-in of Tunnel in New York.

Twenty Men Were at Work and all but Six Caught in a Terrible Fall of Rock Which Followed a Blast.

New York, Oct. 25.—Ten lives were lost by the cave-in of the roof and walls of the subway tunnel at 195th street last night, and four persons were badly injured. All of the dead and injured were workmen and most of them Italians. Following is a list of their names: Timothy Sullivan, foreman; William Schuette, electrician; Giuseppe Barone, Stanzone Brune; Louis Tippi. Injured: Juno Pasquale, Batato Velantio, Alphonse Aramello; Juno Baski.

The accident was the most disastrous that has occurred in the construction of the subway. At the point where the cave-in occurred a gang of twenty men were at work in the tunnel, which is about 110 feet below the surface.

Rufus Chun, general superintendent of the tunnel work, said today that two converging seams had appeared in the roof of the tunnel during the day work on Sunday. The presence of these seams, however, was not believed to indicate any more dangerous character of the rock than previously had been encountered, although it was found necessary to prop the roof with a number of upright timber braces.

The tunnel was being bored by opening a perpendicular embrasure in the face of the bore, and blasting the sides to the right and left of this embrasure. Three blasts were arranged by the drillers, the holes being charged well toward the roof. The drillers then withdrew, and the three blasts were set off in rapid succession by electricity, loosening large quantities of earth and rock. The drillers say that about ten minutes elapsed to allow the smoke to clear away before Timothy Sullivan, the foreman, and Electrician Schuette approached, the latter to string wires and hang lamps to light the way. They were followed by sixteen workmen. The vanguard of the gang had reached the stone when a rumbling sound was heard. Those in the rear had just time to turn and run, when, with a deafening crash, hundreds of tons of rock fell on the men at the face of the boring. When the roar had ceased the cries of injured workmen echoed through the tunnel. Two negroes, in charge of a tramcar, rushed to the opening at 200th street and telephoned an alarm to police headquarters. Reserves were immediately ordered to view the scenes, while ambulances were sent from several hospitals.

Charity Begins at Home.

Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis was called the other day to see a sick woman who is not a member of Plymouth church, though she lives nearby on Columbia Heights, says The New York World.

While he was waiting in the parlor till she was ready to receive him he was entertained by her young daughter. "I am greatly pleased that your mother thought of me in her illness," said Dr. Hillis. "Is her own pastor away?"

"No," replied the daughter, "oh, no, but she was afraid she had something contagious, and she didn't want to run any risk."

The mosquitoes seem to have gotten away with the federal and state officials down in Texas. It is about time now for the theory of these insects producing and spreading yellow fever to be exploded. The former idea as to mosquitoes was that their sting was antimarial—that the inoculation of poison from their bite tended to prevent yellow fever and other malarial diseases; that their presence in malarial sections was a wise and beneficent provision of nature to help man fight against this dread disease of the swamp lands. But science has gone back on nature and now declares that the mosquito produces these diseases. The theory that mosquitoes could not generate in swamps and stagnant water when kerosene oil was used seems to have been proven to be incorrect also. The Jersey people say that they have more of them and larger ones where they have used the oil profusely.

Jurors Flipped Coins.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—A dispatch to The Tribune from Lawrenceville, Ill., says: In the Lawrence circuit court here, a jury trying the case of the State vs. George Ryan, charged with assault to commit murder, could not reach a verdict after being out thirty-six hours, when one of them suggested flipping nickels—heads to convict, tails to acquit. Each juror put a nickel in a hat, a shake and toss and the nickles fell on the table, six and six, necessitating another toss. The second trial showed four heads and eight tails, resulting in acquittal. The court accepted the verdict, but did not know how it was reached until today. The State will get a new trial and the jurors will be indicted.

The price of diamonds, it is said, has advanced about 25 per cent over last year's prices. But, then, cotton is higher than it was last year, and the farmer who has to buy diamonds may come out even. But the fellow who has to buy both diamonds and cotton is getting it in the neck.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Oct. 24.—The Tennessee Iron and Metal company filed a petition in bankruptcy today, in which its liabilities are scheduled at \$39,316, and its assets at \$8. The creditors include Cincinnati, Chicago and other northern firms.

Dr. Gladden, an Ohio minister, says the solution of the negro problem is a long ways off. This is the opinion of all who have been studying the problem.

The steel trust promoters are now washing their dirty linen in the water squeezed out of the stocks.

London, Oct. 25.—King Edward has approved the appointment of Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador at Madrid, as British ambassador to the United States to succeed the late Sir Michael Herbert.

LAW AS TO COTTON FUTURE DEBTS.

After Ten Years it is Determined by the Federal Court That Such Debts Must be Paid.

Special to The State.

Greenville, Oct. 25.—Two years ago there was an interesting case relating to cotton futures in the United States circuit court, in which an action was brought by J. H. Parker & Co., cotton brokers of New York, against Wm. A. Moore of Spartanburg county, claiming \$4,300 as being due to the firm upon a series of transactions in cotton futures which were handled by them for Mr. Moore. While the market kept advancing the firm placed the profits to the credit of their customer, but when a decline took place the brokers kept the account alive at their own expense, sending statements to Moore and asking for remittances to make good the loss, to which the defendant made no reply, and finally the account was closed with Moore in arrears to the brokers in the sum of \$4,300, for which the firm sued him in the United States circuit court.

In order to prevent judgment being entered against him, the defendant Moore relied upon the statute of this State which declares null and void any debt growing out of speculation in futures, where the intent of parties is not to buy the commodity, but only to gamble upon the fluctuations of the market. Moore testified in accordance with the statute, and Judge Simonon held the case from the jury, rendering a decision in favor of Moore. The circuit court of appeals reversed this decision and ordered a new trial, with instructions that the case be allowed to reach the jury.

The second trial took place on Wednesday, and resulted in a verdict for the plaintiffs, the sum of \$2,250 being awarded to them against the estate of W. A. Moore, who has died since the suit began. The testimony taken at the former hearing was submitted to the jury, to which very little was added, though interesting points of law were discussed by attorneys on both sides. Judge Simonon instructed the jury that Moore could not take advantage of his own wrong to have the contracts declared null and void under the statute, even though he never had any intention of actual delivery unless it was shown that the plaintiffs were cognizant of such intention on the part of Moore and were equally guilty of disregarding the law of this State.

Messrs. C. P. Sanders of Spartanburg and Thos. P. Cothern of this city represented the plaintiffs, with Stanyarne Wilson of Spartanburg and A. H. Dean of this city appearing for the defendant.

TRAIN WRECKER CONVICTED OF MURDER IN FIRST DEGREE.

Jury Out Only Five Minutes.

Staunton, Va., Oct. 27.—In the Augusta county court here today John Kennedy, alias Crawford, charged with wrecking a Norfolk and Western passenger train near Greenville, Va., last December, and with the murder of Engineer Bailey of Roanoke, who lost his life in the wreck, was convicted of murder in the first degree, the jury being out five minutes. Sentence will be imposed at a later day in the term. Kennedy stated some time ago that he was certain he would hang and attempted to break jail twice. He pleaded guilty to the charge. He is 19 years old and intelligent. His accomplice, James Bailey, will be tried tomorrow, and the trial of Mrs. Ellen Bailey, the aged mother of James Bailey, who Kennedy claims planned the wreck, will be tried next.

It is not surprising that any self-respecting man should be quick to clear himself of the suspicion of having been a member of the jury that disgraced itself in the late mock trial at Lexington, hence Mr. Marshall Shealy, of Irmo, Lexington county, writes The State as follows: "Please allow me space to inform my friends in Columbia and the public generally that I am not the Marshall Shealy of the Tillman jury and I have no sympathy with that verdict."

The State board of health of Ohio has, says The State, opened its batteries on the toy pistol. Statistics presented to the board show that the last Fourth of July 600 persons were killed, 100 made blind, 1,000 injured through this agency. The toy pistol has, within a short time, been more destructive to human life than all the great guns of the great navies in a generation. The gunner who will dismount that terrible engine of destruction from popular favor will do humanity a great service. It is clear that either the toy pistol or the Fourth of July should go.

On Tuesday night a negro by the name of Johnson stole a bale of cotton from Mr. R. M. Aman of Heriot's X Roads, but failed to get away with it as his wagon broke down on the road and he was forced to abandon it at Riley Jenkins' house where it was found the next day. Johnson has been arrested and an investigation is being made to ascertain whether or not Jenkins was an accessory to the theft.

There has been less back lot gambling this year among the negroes than usual, owing to the vigilance of the police. Every fall the professional negro gamblers reap a rich harvest by fleeing the country negroes who come to town, sell their cotton and fall into their hands. These vagrant gamblers who should all be on the chain gang, lie in wait for the country negroes with money, fill them full of "blue steel" and rob them of their year's earnings. The police have done well to keep the gamblers in check, but they would do better if they could send them all to the chain gang.

OUTLOOK FOR PEACE BETTER IN FAR EAST.

Japanese Minister Says Negotiations Progress.

Some Speculation on Outcome.

Tokio, Japan, Oct. 26.—Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister, and Foreign Minister Komur resumed their conferences today. The Japanese cabinet also held another session.

Premier Katsura, in an interview today, said he deeply regretted the sensational reports circulated in Europe which, he added, were unfounded.

Referring to the diplomatic situation the premier remarked: "The Japanese government pursues its negotiations in strict accordance with the spirit of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, which aims at the preservation of peace and the status quo. It is only fair to presume that Russia is actuated by the same peaceful spirit in which the dual alliance is extended in the far east. I therefore fail to see why the present negotiations should not lead to mutually satisfactory results. In any case, nothing in the present situation warrants any alarm."

Yokohama, Japan, Oct. 26.—It is reported that the result of the elder statesmen's conference on Saturday last was to confirm Japan's intention to press Russia for a definite conclusion of the negotiations.

The Korean government has protested against the Russian fortification of Yongampho, on the Yalu river.

Paris, Oct. 26.—The foreign office has been advised that the Russian foreign minister, Count Lamsdorff, expects to arrive in Paris tomorrow and remain here until Saturday, conferring fully with Foreign Minister Delcasse on questions relating to the east and far east. Much importance is being attached by the officials here to the meeting. During the present strained relations between Japan and Russia the understanding has prevailed here that the Franco-Russian alliance had the same operation in the far east as in Europe, but the extent of French sympathy in support of Russia would depend on who was the aggressor.

An American official conversant with the French policy pointed out today that the Franco-Russian and British-Japanese alliances operate strongly to prevent an outbreak of hostilities between Japan and Russia. Each agreement contemplates support when the ally is attacked.

Therefore, Russia and Japan defer taking action, not wishing, by being the aggressor, to sacrifice the benefit of the alliance.

Schwab and his Methods.

Serious charges are made against Charles M. Schwab, late president of the Steel Trust, by Daniel Leroy Dresser, who claims that he deliberately planned to wreck the Shipbuilding Trust, involving enormous loss to investors. The revelations which have come forth daily have been startling, and they give the public a concrete idea of the methods adopted by these kings of finance in their efforts to form great combinations. After drawing from the confiding public nearly twice the value of his Bethlehem Steel Works, Schwab, according to Dresser, proceeded under power of his mortgage to get possession of all the other plants of the shipbuilding company itself. "Dummy directors," who represent nothing, were produced in court by counsel for the creditors, and further proof of the Schwab scheming was given. These fake directors did not even know where the plants in which they were financially interested, were located, nor could they tell from whom they had received blocks of stock. They did not pay for it, and they were merely the tools of a man who sought great power and wealth by fleeing the army of investors, willing to put faith in a venture because of his past record which appeared to be honest.

This Dresser version of Schwab, however, is not in accord with what the public has been familiar. Unless he was anxious for unlimited control, or was determined to even old scores with his business enemies, it is difficult to understand why he should have resorted to dishonesty. If he was not the prime mover himself the testimony is sufficiently clear to indicate that he was cognizant of every crooked step, and it is openly charged that he was a willing party to underhanded practice, the purpose of which was to send the shipbuilding concern into bankruptcy, so that all the profits and benefits would accrue to Schwab.—Greenville, (S. C.) News.

Negroes Want Bishop of Their Own Race.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Oct. 26.—The bishops of dioceses in the Southern States, who have been attending the Pan-American Conference of Bishops of the Episcopal Church, conferred today with a delegation of negro rectors and laymen regarding the question of a negro bishop in the United States. Bishop Dudley, formerly of Richmond, Va., who has devoted much time to the race question, presided. The negroes earnestly urged the proposition for a bishop. The meeting was executive and no statement was given out, one bishop stating, however, that the solution of the question "is a long way off."

A BRUTAL MURDER IN BENNETTSVILLE.

Henry Patrick Shoots and Cuts his Wife to Death.

Crazed by Drink, the Infuriated Husband Accuses his Wife of

Unfaithfulness and Then Kills Her.

Bennettsville, Oct. 27.—A ghastly sight met the gaze of those who went to the home of Henry Patrick, a three-room cottage in the southwestern portion of town near the cotton mill this morning. On the floor face downward in a pool of her own blood, lay the dead body of Mrs. Mary Ellen Patrick with a gunshot wound just under her left ear and six gashees made with a knife or razor, across her throat. In another room was part of a bed soaked in blood and two little children, a boy of two and a girl of six, seeming not to realize that their mother had been murdered by their father. There is but one known eyewitness to the tragedy—that is the girl, little Annie May. Her story told at the coroner's inquest today is as follows: I was in bed with mamma asleep and was waked up by the fuss. Papa was cursing mamma about a note she wrote to Raleigh Stewart. Kit Cox told him about the note; he cursed Kit and told her if she didn't get out he would cut her brains out and Kit went out. Mamma was sitting up in bed. She told papa to take that gun away and he shot her. She fell down on the bed and got blood on my arm. He told her, "Damn you and Raleigh Stewart too." He was cursing every kind of way and was standing up by the bed. After he shot her he pulled her out of the bed and dragged her into another room. Papa and I went to a negro house on Mr. Capel's place. After he shot Mamma papa told him if he didn't get up and make a fire for his little girl to warm he would shoot his old house down. The negro brought papa home and put him in the porch and he went to sleep. I tried to go to sleep but couldn't and Mr. Carpenter came and carried me to his house. Raleigh was here when pa came home last night. Mamma was writing a letter to Raleigh and gave it to him herself. Pa told him if he didn't get away from here he would shoot his guts out."

Patrick is a well known character here. He has been living until about two months ago on Matheson street, near the depot. He was for a long time employed by the Marlboro Wholesale grocery. He is a strong, robust man, weighing about 200. His wife weighed little more than half of that. Mrs. Patrick was a daughter of John Sanders, an old and well known citizen of Bennettsville. Your correspondent saw Patrick in the jail this afternoon and asked him if he had anything to say for publication. He said he was very sorry the accident occurred, but that it was purely an accident. "I was loading my gun," he said, "and it went off. Mrs. Cox was there when it occurred, and I think Raleigh Stewart was there too. Sheriff Green has my knife and there is no blood on it."

Admiral Bowles is leaving the naval service to accept the presidency of a private shipbuilding company in Massachusetts. He called on the president today accompanied by Secretary Moody and verbally tendered his resignation. Secretary Moody in announcing the resignation of Admiral Bowles said it was received with profound regret, not only by himself, but by the president.

FURTHER PROBING IN POSTAL FRAUDS.

The New York Postoffice Next to be Investigated.

Other Large Offices to Follow.

Washington, Oct. 26.—A special investigation of the New York postoffice will be begun in a few days by inspectors working under the direction of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow. There will be a thorough overhauling of all the affairs of that office, and matters in every department of the office will be thoroughly probed.

It is stated that no charges are on file regarding the New York office, but the facts established by the inspectors when the lines of the general investigations led to that office on a number of subjects, long ago persuaded the investigating authorities of the desirability of a general and detailed probing into the affairs of Postmaster Van Cott's office. There have been many reports of laxity of administration and extravagance and all these will be looked into.

Postmaster General Payne tonight said that the investigation of the New York office had been contemplated for a long time and that the only reason it has not taken place before now was the inability to spare any of the men who have been ferreting the frauds under the general inquiry. He suggested that other large offices would be investigated.

English Mills Resume.

Liverpool, Oct. 26.—The newly arrived American cotton is being rushed to the mills as rapidly as possible. Full time is being resumed gradually throughout Lancashire, where there has been immense distress since August, when the mills reduced their time of work to four days per week. All the mills in the Ashton-Under-Lyne district resume full time today.

GREAT ACTIVITY ON COTTON MARKET.

Much Excitement on Opening and Prices go Soaring.

Transactions Broke all Previous Records.

New York, Oct. 26.—There was great excitement and activity at the opening of the cotton market today. More or less general frosts have been reported in the cotton belt over Saturday and Sunday and with Liverpool this morning exhibiting great firmness there was a scarcity of shorts here that started prices some 20 to 43 points higher. October closing Saturday at 9.96, sold up to 10.40 on the call, while December touched 10.28; January 10.25; March, 10.20. This enormous gain naturally attracted heavy realizing and after the call prices were depressed several points on the more active positions. The activity continued all the morning and fluctuations were irregular and violent. Generally speaking, the tone was firm. From the highest point early there was a reaction before midday of from 25 points on October, 1147 points on the other positions. Notwithstanding the heavy estimates for tomorrow's receipts, short covering continued in volume and the market regained most of its losses with prices in the early afternoon 25 to 35 points higher than Saturday.

There was little diminution in activity or excitement during the afternoon and the transactions for the day broke all previous records, nearly a million and a half bales according to estimate. The market was finally steady, 26 to 34 points net higher, this representing a reaction from the best of 18 points on October, and of 1 to 7 points on later positions. All the months alter than January sold at new high prices for the season.

Liverpool, Oct. 26.—There was considerable excitement on the Liverpool cotton exchange today on rumors that destructive frosts in the American cotton belt probably would result in the next cotton crop not exceeding 11,000,000 bales. Prices jumped several points and anticipations of a "squeeze" next summer were expressed.

ADMIRAL BOWLES RESIGNS.

Leaves Naval Service to go With Shipbuilding Concern.

Washington, Oct. 26.—Rear Admiral Francis T. Bowles, chief of the bureau of construction and repair of the navy department, today tendered his resignation as an officer in the United States navy to the president and it was accepted to take effect Oct. 31. Constructor W. L. Capps, now on duty at the New York navy yard, has been selected by the president for the vacancy.

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Congo Free State Urged to Raise Cotton.

Antwerp, Oct. 25.—The Belgian Cotton Association has petitioned the government of the Congo Free State, in view of present crisis in trade, to begin immediately the cultivation of cotton in its territory, in order thus to replace the importation of cotton into Belgium from America and England.

Accidentally Killed Herself.

Special to The State. Anderson, Oct. 26.—Laddie McCurley, a 12-year-old girl, was accidentally killed at the Orr mill this afternoon. She was going down one of the alleys between the rows of machinery and stumbled over a boy's feet which were stretched out in the alley. She fell and an open knife in her apron pocket pierced her heart and killed her almost instantly.

More Competition Found in Cotton.

Rome, Oct. 17.—The minister of agriculture finished his investigations into the possibilities of the new cotton yielding plant, discovered in Erythraea, Africa. Same is classed by botanists as Hibiscus macranthus and grows wild. The cotton from the first crop is declared to be most satisfactory. Orders have been sent to the governor of the African colonies to plant great tracts of territory with the Hibiscus.

The acquittal of John G. Wham for the murder of Lafayette Ramage, in Laurens county, calls attention to the horrible consequences that are likely to follow any demonstration of lawlessness. When the first news of the crime reached the town of Laurens there was much indignation and posess were organized, scores of leading citizens volunteering their assistance to the sheriff. Feeling that it would be best to go away until the excitement had subsided, Wham left the county, but later he surrendered. He has been tried for his life and it is said that the jury was composed of excellent and intelligent men.

We have no criticism of the verdict. The evidence was submitted to the court and after deliberating for twenty hours the jury declared that the slayer was not guilty. In view of this, the record of Laurens for law and order stands out as a splendid example to be followed by other communities. But eventually patience may cease to be a virtue, when so much crime goes unavenged.—Greenville News.

Yellow fever seems to be making great headway in Texas. Science which boasts that it has made Cuba, that pest hole of yellow fever, a healthy country, has failed to protect the people of San Antonio and other Texas towns.